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Subject: RE: Brownsville CO2 emissions

## Randy-

It appears the discrepancy in the lb/MMBtu  $CO_2$  values at 20 deg F vs the other ambient cases is in error. The  $CO_2$  lbs/hr data included in the table (see below) were supplied by MHI and calculated based upon exhaust mass flow multiplied by  $CO_2$  concentration. The values (at all ambients other than 20 deg) included a nominal 6% margin applied by MHI to account for uncertainty and variation in exhaust flow rate, CO concentration (i.e., degree of combustion completeness), fuel carbon content, and other factors that could affect a combustion-based calculation. The hourly data contained in the table for the 20 deg F cases do not include the 6% margin. An example calculation for the 20 deg F/100% load case is below:

CT exhaust flow:  $5,339,000 \, \text{lbs/hr} \times 6.39\%_{\text{weight}} \, \text{CO}_2 = 341,162 \, \text{lbs CO}_2/\text{hr} \, [\text{same value shown in the table}]$ 

341,162 lbs  $CO_2/hr \times 1.06 = 361,632$  lbs  $CO_2/hr \div 2,903$  MMBtu/hr = 124.57 lbs  $CO_2/MMBtu$  [similar to the values for the other ambient cases)

Ambient Inlet Air		Output Load			Heat Input - MMBtu/hr			Heat Rate		CO:			
Dry Bulb	RH	Air	CTG	CTG	STG	DB	Total (	CT+DB)	CT	CT+ST	lb/MMBtu		
*F	%	Cooling	%	MW <sub>gross</sub>	MW <sub>gross</sub>	HHV	HHV	LHV	Btu/kWh	- LHV	HHV	lbs/MWh	lb/hr
20	72.5	OFF	100	305	174	250	3,153	2,842	8,566	5,923	117.5	772	370,435
20	72.5	OFF	100	305	148	0	2,903	2,616	8,566	5,768	117.5	752	341,162
20	72.5	OFF	75	229	113	0	2,228	2,008	8,769	5,880	117.3	765	261,323
20	72.5	OFF	50	153	98	0	1,699	1,531	10,039	6,107	117,1	793	198,912
62	79.1	ON	100	274	168	250	2,890	2,604	8,629	5,894	124.4	814	359,612
62	79.1	OFF	100	274	142	0	2,620	2,361	8,629	5,677	125.4	790	328,503
62	79.1	OFF	75	203	106	0	2,046	1,844	9,070	5,956	124.7	824	255,148
62	79.1	OFF	50	135	93	0	1,579	1,423	10,510	6,241	124.8	864	197,009
84	69.7	ON	100	258	165	250	2,774	2,500	8,811	5,913	124.4	816	345,118
84	69.7	ON	100	258	135	0	2,524	2,274	8,811	5,782	124.4	798	314,009
84	69.7	OFF	75	189	104	0	1,952	1,760	9,307	6,013	124.4	830	242,828
84	69.7	OFF	50	126	91	0	1,518	1,368	10,866	6,310	125.2	876	189,986
106	28.9	ON	100	254	164	250	2,743	2,472	8,843	5,920	124.6	818	341,740
106	28.9	ON	100	254	133	0	2,493	2,247	8,843	5,799	124.5	801	310,279
106	28.9	OFF	75	173	99	0	1,839	1,657	9,578	6,087	124.8	843	229,578
106	28.9	OFF	50	115	89	0	1,464	1,319	11,450	6,475	125.4	901	183,552

As discussed, we did not base the hourly  $CO_2$  emission rates on the lb/MMBtu values, as those were merely calculated by us using the MHI-supplied hourly mass rates divided by the MHI-supplied heat input rates. If we are to demonstrate compliance with the BACT limit by using equation G-4 from Part 75 (see below) to calculate hourly  $CO_2$  emission rates and then divide by hourly gross output, equation G-4 results in a factor of 118.9 lbs/MMBtu if the default  $F_c$  factor of

1,040 is used or approximately 117.3 lb/MMBtu if a site-specific  $F_c$  factor (1,026) is calculated (which is required by other permits I have seen). The un-margined values have a calculated factor of approximately 117.5 lb/MMBtu at base load.

Two example calculations using the 20 deg F ambient un-fired base load case from the table above ( $2^{nd}$  row from top), one using the default F<sub>c</sub> factor and one using a calculated site-specific F<sub>c</sub> factor (calculated using the project design fuel, not a worst-case high-Btu fuel), are below. Therefore, we propose to use the margined values (the 20 deg F values will need to be revised) to account for variations in the site-specific F<sub>c</sub> factor (i.e., fuel carbon content/GCV) that could exceed the associated 117.5 lb/MMBtu factor.

 $W_{lbs/hr} = 1,040 \text{ x } 2,903 \div 385 \text{ x } 44.0 = 345,042 \text{ lbs/hr [exceeds } 341,162 \text{ value in table above]... } 345,042 \text{ lbs/hr} \div 2,903 \text{ MMBtu/hr} = 118.9 \text{ lb/MMBtu}$ 

 $W_{lbs/hr} = 1,026 \times 2,903 \div 385 \times 44.0 = 340,397 \ lbs/hr \ [99.8\% \ of 341,162 \ value in table above]... 340,397 \ lbs/hr \div 2,903 \ MMBtu/hr = 117.3 \ lb/MMBtu$ 

$$W_{CO_i} = \left(\frac{F_C \times H \times U_f \times MW_{CO_i}}{2000}\right)$$
 (Eq. G-4)

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Where:

WCO,= CO, emitted from combustion, tons/hr.

MW CO,= Molecular weight of carbon dioxide, 44.0 lb/lb-mole.

F<sub>c</sub> = Carbon based F-factor, 1040 scf:mmBtu for natural gas; 1,420 scf:mmBtu for crude, residual, or distill other gaseous fuels.

H = Hourly heat input in mmBtu, as calculated using the procedures in section 5 of appendix F of this part.

Uf = 1/385 scf CO2/lb-mole at 14.7 psia and 68 °F.

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## Randy-

Following up on our conversation Friday, I discussed the discrepancy with our engineers. They spoke with MHI this afternoon and MHI would like to add it to the agenda for the already-scheduled meeting here on Wednesday with our engineering staff. Therefore, we should have an answer late in the day or Thursday a.m.

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